



CALIFORNIA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD

Statewide Shortages Special Committee



MEETING NOTICE

Fresno County Workforce Investment Board
2035 Tulare Street, Suite 203

Fresno, California

Monday, March 14, 2005

9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Lawrence Gotlieb
Chairman

Christine Essel
Vice Chair

Arnold Schwarzenegger
Governor

Paul Gussman
Acting Executive Director

Stated time of meeting conclusion is approximated; meeting may end earlier
subject to completion of agenda items and/or approved motion to adjourn.

AGENDA

1. Welcome, Introductions, Purpose of Meeting

2. Discussion of Proposed Committee Charge

3. Discussion of Selected Issues From the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) Planning Guidance

These topics will assist the State Board, and the Governor, in the further articulation of a vision and in the development of both priorities and strategies for identifying and resolving statewide or regional labor shortages.

- a. Identify strategies for addressing skill gaps in California.
- b. Identify workforce development issues that are most critical to the State's economic health and growth over the next decade and identify a vision (strategies) for improving training access and opportunities for individuals using WIA funds and other resources to address those issues.
- c. Identify workforce strategies to support the creation, sustainability, and growth of small business and support for the workforce needs of small business as part of the State's economic strategy.
- d. Identify strategies to assist companies with worker surpluses or shortages including helping to connect employees of companies undergoing layoffs to growing companies with a need for skilled employees.
- e. Identify strategies to help strengthen partnerships with business services and economic development entities.

4. Public Comment

5. Next Steps and Wrap Up

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